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Re: Utility Patent Application - Small Entity Status  
Invention: A System, Method and Article of Manufacture for Global, Device-  
Independent Deployment of a Supply Chain Management System  
Inventor: Thomas B. Robertson and Peter J. Padd  
Our File No.: APP1P006

Dear Sir:

On behalf of our client, we are enclosing the following documents to file a patent application for the above-referenced invention:

1. Check in the amount of \$395.00 to cover the filing fees
2. Declaration and Power of Attorney
3. Patent Application Transmittal
4. Application for United States Letters Patent (specification and claims)
5. Twenty-Four (24) sheets of drawing(s) (Figures 1-23)
6. Assignment and Recordation cover sheet
7. Verified Statement Claiming Small Entity Status for Small Business Concern

Also enclosed is a self-addressed postal card which we request that you return to this office indicating the filing date and serial number of this application.

Sincerely,



Lawrence Keith Stephens

Enclosures

cc: Steve Gupta (w/encl.)

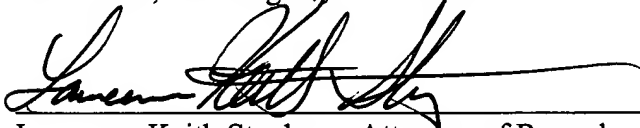
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**PATENT APPLICATION TRANSMITTAL**

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TO THE COMMISSIONER OF PATENTS AND TRADEMARKS:

Transmitted herewith for filing is the patent application of: Thomas B. Robertson and Peter J. Padd

For: A System, Method and Article of Manufacture for Global, Device-Independent Deployment of a Supply Chain Management System

Enclosed are:

- ☒ Declaration.
- ☒ Twenty-Four (24) sheets of drawing(s) (Figures 1 - 23).
- ☒ Power of Attorney.
- ☒ Assignment of the invention to: Appareon
- ☒ Verified Statement Claiming Small Entity Status.
- ☐ Certified copy of a \_\_\_\_\_ application.
- ☐ Information Disclosure Citation and patent copies.
- ☐ Associate Power of Attorney.

| CLAIMS AS FILED              |                       |                   |          |
|------------------------------|-----------------------|-------------------|----------|
|                              | TOTAL CLAIMS<br>FILED | # EXTRA<br>CLAIMS | FEE      |
| BASIC FEE                    |                       |                   | \$355.00 |
| TOTAL CLAIMS                 | 18                    | 0                 | ---      |
| INDEPENDENT CLAIMS           | 3                     | 0                 | ---      |
| MULTIPLE DEPENDENT<br>CLAIMS | 0                     | ---               | \$355.00 |
| TOTAL FILING FEE             |                       |                   | \$355.00 |

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